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te in!" we said; while yet he pondered,

"Then you'll please give me a credit Opposite that onthe debit, For two dollars more. I ike your paper, and will take it As long as you will strive to make it As good as it has been before."

We jumped! He dodged! Thus we mis ad him, Or we surely would have kissed him.

No matter if the boys did roar; So yeldom treated in this manner, We felt inclined to sure heasnmah!

Only this and nothing more.

THE HIDING PLACE;

OR WHERE THERE'S A WILL THERE'S

was all over, and I sat in a kind of a But as she spoke, a thought darted two halves and that the one I held was Nobody takes no interest, and why? full of water. They put in the head from him. The eye of God is in every miserable dream, listening to Lawyer into my head. Curdle asking me-

Where grandfather had kept his hiding a will somewhere. will?

Had I not been told? Maurertown. Did I know?

thing to me? Of course I knew of it!

"Granpapa wanted to tell me," said I, "lut I would not let him I could hard work I knew I should have to en- been safe had she caught me. not bear to think of his being dead. I dure. hoped he would not die before I did." "In legal matters, ladies are little could be borne with this end in view, New Market,

short of idiots," said Mr. Curdle. fury down stairs, who claims this place Mt. Jackson Mt. Olive. grandfather's sister—and who, if there began to show me my position by turn-dirty and hardened with coarse work, was goin.' It was one thing or tother, with a certain minister, whose pulpit ripe age, of the effects of exposure in fallowing the f is no will found, can turn you out of ing me out of my pretty bed-room and the proof that I was helress to a fortune. no half way work. Hell then meant house and home."

"You know your grandfather was roof. only a steplather to your mother. You no. H. Smart. STONEWALL -J. H. Grabill. P.H. Coffelt, Snowden | Were not actually related at all."

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\*\*T sary-it we find the will, you are an lette service, pink and white also,

will was? I tried to think.

No, he had not told me. and said :

ASHBY. - Joseph Perry, A. J. Myers, H. H. Coff. some other day." dead in his bed- the very next morn- whil. I never forgot my object.

"else grandpa would not have mention- the house in my bare feet. ed it.

it, and was about to make a new one, | den. or anything of that sort!" asked the For instance the posts of graddfather's considered as indispensable to the pro-

lawyer. to remember what he said exactly. Oh apple, which came off.

"utter insanity."

W. Magruder - - - Woodstock, va He was usually very polite, but I d I She had a delight in seeing me at way of all things that play out.

voice, apparently to no one in particular. whitewash the cow-house, and I had for ex-

that girl's child.

My brother and I haven't been gends stick?" I know, but it's all the same and hasn't -all his property is mine.

She took snuif and scowled at me fu-think."

1 carched eagerly enough now. PERFUMERY, SOAPS, BRUSHES, 1 turned back carpets and shook out

I rummaged every desk and drawer. "I don't care. Get it," said she. trunk and box in the house.

"No doubt this old woman has employed some one to steal your grave, woman. "The idea! When I am dead in the telephote." father's will from its 'very josephous' they can do what they like with m hiding place, and the reso's is that you brella. I'm sure. Get the stick."

pa and called me names," I said, burst-she,

or the sale of Flour, Grain, Slay, Lumber Eggs, intter, Chesse, Potaloes, Poultry, in fact, all kinds f Country Produce. Il consignments will receive our best attention ing by poor, foolish child W said Mr. she came with the the thick and heavy buy any lemons for me, and then comes county," the speaker continued, cyni-

had to say at least? Together, you it -a sort of pale grey wood polished like glass.

have made a nice mess of it." We had certainly, as I acknowledged, when old Miss Humphries took posses- you'll see my word is law here. sion of the homestead, and I found that I never stirred. I was no longer, mistress of the dear old place-that I had not even a right and go to work," said she.

"I won't," said I. there, but was an interloper. When, to crown all, she came to me '. You won't ?" "No." as I lay weeping on my bed, and said

in her harsh nasal tones-"Beulah, sit up and stop crying; I've got something to tell you,"

I sat up and wiped my eves. I considered her an enemy, and one never wishes to weep before one's ene-

"Providence is Providence, Beulah More," said she; "you oughtn't to rebel ag'in it-no. you oughtn't. You ought I cried and pulled. to be contented in the condition you've been called to. But I'm not a hardhearted woman; I'm willing to have pened. you stay with me. You can help me in

the work, you know.

"I don't keep servants-a lazy, idle other. set, eating you out of house and home.

Grandfather had certainly spoken of

A will in my favor, leaving every. len, as Mr. Car.lle believed.

Yes, even her unpleasant company my footstep.

"I grave to distress you, but I sup. too eagerly, that I would stay and I Curolle, pose you know there's a rampant old gave myself a year to find the will in. There, in my old frock, with white-

> I had had a pretty carpet, white cur- old Miss Humphries again. tams, a book-case, Turkish chair and She had returned to her former dwell- mit" of American revivalism, the itiner-

I had never done any work, except They never hurt me.

said putting this room in order, for we had I found the other half of the dear old

Where had grandfather told me the windows and dishes and had no time more than ever then, and still keep it as and the house in which he lived while to read or sew or wander in the woods, a talisman. or enjoy myself in the garden

Miss Humphries sent all my school Thunder Bolts - Lightning Rods, &c. I had put my hand over his mouth girl friends from the door when they asked for me, and it was after a long. to death if you die, so I shan't want my Sewing basket and my new window John Wise, the celebrated æronaut, we plants, with which to make my garret make the following extract:

bed had a hallow space in them, covered tection of the persons and things inside "No," said I. "I think not. I'll try with a carved cap, shaped like a pine- from the rain.

"Beulah, it will be very important telpiece in his room-the original house derbolt passes from the cloud to the

nodding in her chair.

day." "That's dear grandpa's cane." said atmosphere.

it is only a stick, cane or not."

"I won't," said I.

ing prompt returns made for t. e same.

Mr. B. XNOX, formerly of Alex narra, va.,

Mr. B. XNOX, formerly of Alex narra, va.,

My poor. foolish child 's said Mr. she came with the the thick and heavy buy any lemons for the green and maryiand reads.

Curdle, "why, didn't you hear what he came, with neither curve nor carving on the 'ha! ha! ha! ha! ha! ha!

"Here's the stick," said she, "and

"Tie that stick on the whitewash brush

whip you."

"I dare you to touch me," said I. She lifted the stick. I'm not sure whether she

menace; but I caught it.

She pulled also. In a moment more a queer thing hap-

She lay on her back bemoaning her-

Something protruded from it.

it if it was above ground, and not sto- I had found grandfather's will at last.

So I said, taking care not to speak lane and up the road to the office of Mr. damned, an' there was no hangin' roun' damnation.

wash daubed over it. I appeared, breath- hangin onter the pulpit. They was To at very day old Miss Humphries less and voiceless, grasping in my hand. summat interested to know what they The old man was lodging over night. He died in Alexandria, Va. at a it was as its mistress, and I never saw lively ginerally."

"Come now, plain speaking is neces- dainty bed, all white and pink, and toi- ing place, leaving many anotherms be- ant preacher, whose name was a fabind for me.

cane and rejoined it to its mate.

"The man that now-a-days goes was usually heralded by a score or more bolt is about as efficacious as would be I had found many curious places a tin-foil coat of mail to a thrust of a

and hid it in the most ingenious place." that might have concealed fifty wills. in the direction of least resistance, re-"Then I stopped him. That's all." The old woman never suspected me. gardless of all and any pointers, and try. This store faithfulness of the so I turned out for him. "Utter insanity," said Mr. Curdle; Besides, she was half the time asleep, that when it meets a field of metal it preacher sured the implicit confidence one of the funniest incidents in Dow's

those the malevolent fairy put upon play is the combustion-the conflags of the matter, diffuse or derwise of the matter, diffuse or designated time and place the people of the matter of the matter of the matter of the people of the matter of the matt She was a very old woman, with hair that was still bright red, and a long sharp nose.

Who knew where the will might be? In my possession gloss of railroad rails pointed hour, a thin, gr zzied old man, with long white beard and dressed in a along white it along was nearly over, and the malevoient along was talking at the top of her fairy of my existence had ordered me to The space setween the rails to allow shabby black suit and a torn straw hat dourishing mill properties in the countries. once, apparently to no one in particular. With a feeling upon me or eight to one-quarter of an inch. The drove leisurely up to the gathering. In that he wanted a mill at the point of the "Lawyers, lawyers," she was saying. agreed to do it with a leeling upon the being sufficient to obstruct its velocity was Dow, punctual to the moment. He was almost at an end being sufficient to obstruct its velocity "all alike the world over. Dain't send that endurance was almost at an endurance was almost at an endurance was almost at an endurance was almost gone, that falls that hope was almost gone, that falls that hope was almost gone, that falls the door, and found them absent.—

was Dow, punctual to the moment. If where the brook poured out of the door, and found them absent.—

of fosion of wrought-iron. The atnot a word, not a line, so that I should not come to claim my own."

of fusion of wrought-iron. The atmosphere is full of diffuse matter. In and announced that, "by the grace of regarded by the old dam. Hence and announced that, "by the grace of regarded by the old dam several not come to claim my own." "Left it to that girl, ch? Humbug! my fine complexion, and nickel. A magnetic storm in the She's no relation at all, Margaret Boker The lime was mixed and the brush The lime was mixed and the brush and nickel. A magnetic storm in the regions of interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron and nickel. A magnetic storm in the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the ed that the addition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the ed that the addition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the ed that the addition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the ed that the addition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the edition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the edition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the edition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the edition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the edition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the edition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the edition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the edition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the edition to the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the edition of the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the edition of the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the edition of the dam interplanetory space is full of diffuse iron one morning recently 1 visited the had a little gire already by her first hus-band when she married him. This is was found to the control of masses of meteoric iron unon our planet. the boards to show. Why, where's your when it happens to be the nearest body low, rambling, two-story country farmto a magnetic cyclone. I have passed house, upholding a corpulent ston- mill site direct from the great Indian "I can't find one to fit," said I, dis- through snow and hal-stores in the chimney, and thrusting out into the chief who formerly owned the country. consolately. "Oh, I can reach, I cloud region during the hottest days of stony, sterile pasture land acquisitive life went on granding in his mell, and at July. It often snovs two to three ells and angles. Tail sycamores on the length suit was instituted against him. self as a grand lecturer had been giving "You can't,', said she. "The idea of thousand feet above the earth, and the northern green sweep the mossy root in the Norwich court, to recover \$2,000 whitewashing with a short brush. Go officuest in the hotzest weather, and with their mottled boughs. The south- and costs. The case was decided I shrunk away.

I shrunk away that the will should be and hunt a stick. Why, I know where important it was that the will should be against him, and an appeal was taken there's one—in your room I saw it toup as vapor in the grasp of the lower away. A capacious barn, with exten-

are a beggar."

"I won't," said I.

"Then I will, and you'll use it," said potato and a lemon? When the question and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? When the question are the potato and a lemon? The potato and a lemon are the potato and a tioned party says he don't know, the and prayed on more than a half dozen gates went up the pond went out with again to be admitted to assist in the reg-Away she went to the garret, and down other says. Then I don't want you to of times. This is the right kind of a a whoop and a rush. The whole countries the crait. Hence the real

Lorenzo Dow's Vagaries.

STORIES FROM THE LIPS OF HIS OLD

How well worth the hard fate and the I am not sure that my life would have nally ye get ter weather that is a good the people laughed, and how Dowdeal more comfortable than 'tis here in well, he went right on preaching on the and get your axe, Terror, as well as joy, lent wings to dog days. In my day it used to mean ground, but (significantly) he had comsomethin.' You could understan' one menced on grace, mercy and peace, but cine that was called 'Dow's physic.' It I flew out of the garden, down the of them preachers. It was come or be he wound up on hell fire and eternal was an excellent remedy for a number church doors evenings, but every scat

sending me into a garret with a sloping When I went back to the homestead live coals, and a live devei, and things (Sunday.) The elergyman, with a view Of Lorenzo Dow, the "Peter the Hermiliar word in every State and almost every county of the Union, the old man pulpit, the clergyman handed him : recalled many remniscences that havnever before been published. Dow was slip of paper bearing these words: n their labors, and learn all there is to Now I scrubbed floors and washed I loved it before; naturally I loved it born only a few miles from Norwich. stepped to the from and said: 'My he was not assailing the hornes of the from the text; 'And Balann saddled devil" in other States is still standing. his ass.' And Balaam saddled his ass.' Thunder Bolts-Lightning Rods, &c.

His eccentricities, his vigorous, aggressive sermous, his dry withicisms and peculiar habits, are vividly remembered preventions. I take it, my friends, he continued, in "Grandpa, don't; I shall cry myself hard fight, that I obtained my books. Philadelphia Evening Bulletin by Prof. in his neighborhood. His strange a slow, solemn style, "refers to your grotesqueness excited curiosity wherever minister, his salary is his saddle, and he went, and his entry into a village the congregation is his ass.' Manuel Sand:

"We'll, we'll. I know you are not Jordan for protection to buildings is as Jordan for protection to buildings is as Manuel Sand:

"We'll, we'll. I know you are not Jordan for protection to buildings is as waiting for deal men's shoes—I know waiting for deal men's shoe some other day."

And the next morning he was found

I was very miserable, but all the horse-shoes to be nailed over stable and in the opposite direction: There was in the opposite direction:

I was very miserable, but all the house doors to keep out witches. The wind. I never forgot my object.

Not only did I continue my search all in its confine and that in the centre of the road; is verge of a forest, an inverted barrel un the road; one or the other must turn Adam. Delin Not only did I continue my search and in its surface, and that to an ordinary der the boughs of an apple orchard, or a day, but at night I often pattered about it is surface, and that to an ordinary der the boughs of an apple orchard, or a day, but at night I often pattered about it is surface, and that to an ordinary der the boughs of an apple orchard, or a day, but at night I often pattered about it. Dow took in the situation at a rude platform of rough boards at a giance, and rising erect in his seat, the house in my bare feet.

I had found many curious places a tin-foil coat of mail to a thrust of a lancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have well been hidancer's spear. The days is not far dissured where a will might have a will be a wil ment that "Old Dow" was going to you as I down man just back here." The "hold forth" at a certain place, pro- smanger, overawed, nervously obeyed. bably six months or a year from date. and wallowed through the deep snow on From over forty years' observation I never failed to call forth the country the roadside till he could regain the And behind the carved wooden man- can incontrovertibly say that the thun- people, from far and wide, at the sp- path. Then he turned toward the repointed time. Dow never brok- an en- tiring figure and asked somewhat angriwhen I come to leave you that you shall was a hundred years old, they say, and earth as any other missile would pass - gagement, though some of its appointing: 'Well, how did you serve that know about my will. I have made one very curious-there was a receptacle shot or shell-meteorite of hail or iron. | gageinent, though some of other man?' Why.' Dow replied comments were made severy years in additional comments which were made severy years in additional comments which were made severy years in additional comments which were made severy years in additional comments which were made severy years and additional comments were made severy years and additional comments were well and the properties of the prop

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enough to suit anybody. No wonder Norwich, Conn., March 29 .- The that the preachers were tough. No recent investigation into "Hell" by the nonsense about 'em. There's material New York clergymen has awakened enough lying around loose here to turn lively echoes in the churches of eastern out a hell without any great strain on partially dormant here, or surrendered religion and his mission to preach direct preach in the village church in the even-"You're a pretty big girl Beulah its claims as a topic of ministerial dis- from here and from God. He didn't More," said she, "but if you don't I'll cussion to temperance, politics, and belong to no denomination, but set out poverty. The drift of public opinion at on his own hook. He didn't take no length impelled the clergy to declare pay, and went about as the apostles their position. Some pastors have did, wherever the spirit called him butterly bemouned his misfortune to would have met the issue square, with candor and Lord, how he used to sail into preachstruck me or whether it was only in firmness; but the majority have handled ers that got salaries! He had ideas of the subject in a genteel and tender- his own, and was independent of every-"Give me my grandfather's cane!" fingered manner. The sledge-hammer one and every thing—"specially fashion. with a confident manner, 'and I'll get armed "Thunderers" of revivalism that He always were his beard long when Connecticut once sent forth to preach everybody else shaved their's off, and 'hell a diabolical reality", are re- he wore an old straw hat, summer aumembered by many silver-haired winter, with the brim half tore off. II. evening Dow stooped down by the The cane parted in the middle, and veterans of the church, who regretfully was particular to wear it in winter. Evel coadside, picked up two large, round the old woman flew one way and I and compare their brave deeds with the erybody went to hear him, and when it stones and placed them in his pocket. weak artillery fire of later preachers. Zas known that 'Old Dow' was going to dequetly entered the pumit and wan-Coming from an exciting evening preach, all the other meetings were de- el until the congregation had assenmeeting recently, a white headed, serted. The boys sometimes put at bled, and the deep silence preceding if she's grateful and willing, so I'll I, younger and lighter, picked myself rugged-faced old man broke forth; "I jobs for him, though. I recollect oner the opening of service reigned in the tell you this business is all nonsence. that he was to preach in an orchard, house. Then advancing to the pulpit over again, the thought he must die had I was only fourteen years old, but I But I neld on to my half of my grandThere's no sense into it. Just look at and a big crowd gathered to hear him. edge, with a stone in each hand he made me cry my eyes nearly out, for knew as well as I knew anything that I father's cane, and shouted wildly for the meetings. Hain't any of 'em half Well, just before the meeting began cred in a loud, commanding voice, though he was eighty, he was not too should have preferred service anywhere joy, for in an instant I saw that the cane fall. Call this revival? Why it looks the fellows got him a great hogshead to the fello was not broken, but that it was made in more like the funeral of a poor relation, stand on, and filled it about two-thirds lost a valuable axe. It was stolen 'Cause nobody knows what they're rather loosely, and waited for fun. Place. I see the thief before me in the talking about. They believe in hell, Dow mounted on the barrel, gave out audience, and I am about to hurl this All I saw was a bit of stiff, crackling and then again they don't. They've his text, got fired up, and was prancing stone (poising the missile in the air) at If I stayed and rubbed and scrubbed. parchment, but I knew as well as ever I rigged up five or six different kinds of and thumping round on that barrel and dusted diligently. I should discover did anything, when I drew it out that hell, and every one on 'cm has a head in lively style, and suddenly in different kind of temperature. The she went, splash, slush, boards, Dow, stout-built, rough man in the centre of Methodist hell is still pretty tolerably straw hat and all. The water was the throng dodged his head instantly Ah, how delightful to discomfit her at She scrambled up as I flourished it warm, but as ye go down along they about up to his neck, and he scrambler one side to escape the expected shor, keep growing cooler and cooler, till nout dripping all over. Jerusalem, how 'There's your thief,' Dow should to

> "Another anecdote, illustrating the as he travelled, thereby realizing suffof getting the best of Dow. proposed that the latter should preach from a text that should not be announced to him until the moment before he was to speak. Dow accepted the proposal and the next day, as he entered the triends. I am to speak to you to-night

bounces over it harmless, and goes the of the copie. Ouce, it is said, he uppated a meeting for a certain lay and the suit against him in which two mill Lodge with several others some time not wonder that his equanimity was disturbed when I went down stairs and disturbed when I went down stairs and those the malevolent fairy put upon play is the combustion-the conflagration of the combustion of t sive outhouses, on a swelling knoll and when he learned that the decision e are just communing now in the near by, completes the homestead, of the higher court was hostile to him he trustworthy, and that she had caused "It "first reader" of Msteorology, and if Between the house and barn run-strode bastily out of the court room Adam to neglect his duty, and had let we stick closely to facts as nature northward the open turapike, which de without a word. He sprang into the in one whom he had expelled, the reveals them to our senses, we shall be seends first into the baunted depths of wagon and drove home like mad. Grand Master had the lodge closed, and All last even Mr. Curille acknowledge said I; "grandfather's cane, that he use able, by and by, to make a respectable "Witch Woods," then trails away over Without waiting to fasten his horse he turned them out and set a tyler to guard ed that further search was hopeless. ed to walked with every deg that I us science of it, and learn a little of the "A man should confide his will to ed to ride on when I was a baby. Dear language that the stones use in talking The old house is occupied by relatives dam. Pointing to the flood gates he repented of his folly, went to work like his lawyer," said he; "a lawyer's box is the only safe place for it."

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ward its stony fields and pastures. and the Thames river was swept clean. thatched with briers and bayberry 'I guess they'll have water enough now,' bushes. "to produce a religion hard said Dow, with imperturbable face, as he looked at the sweeping torrent.

In one of his pilgrimages through the backwoods of Pennsylvania, Dow eutered a rude settlement on the outskirts of civilization. He was to to tarry over night had recently lost an axe by theft. The loss of such an implement was too serious in those days to be borne resignedly, and the farmer your axe for you.'

On the way to the church in the

of complaints, and the old man sold it

Why Women Can't be Masons.

At the late anniversary celebration of the Masons at Austin, Nevada, the orafor of the day thus discoursed upon this exed question: Women sometimes e amplain that they are not permitted to slip of paper bearing these words; enter the lodges and work with the craft se learned in the institution. We will explain the reason. We learn that before the Almighty had finished his work he was in some doubt about creating Eve. The creation of every living and creeping thing had been accomplished, and the Almighty had made Adam (who was the first Mason) and created for him the finest lodge in the world, and alled it Paradise No. 1. He then creaed the beasts of the field and fowls of name them, which was a piece of work mg in his sleigh along a narrow country he had to do alone, so that no confusion

> with the labors of his task, fell asleep, and when he awoke he found Eve in the Ludge with him. Adam, being Senior Warden, placed Eve, as the pillar of beauty, in the South, and they received her instructions from the Grand Master in the East, which, when "finished. she immediately called the Craft from labor to refreshment. Instead of attending to the duties of her office as she aught, she left her station, violated her obligations, and let in an expelled Mason who had no business there, and went around with him, leaving Adam to look after the jewels. This fellow had been expelled from the Grand twrons, as she and Adam were not in proper regalia. She went and told Adam, and when the Grand Master 1 2 turned he found that his gavel had been

He called for the senior and junior vardens, who had neglected to guard Adam what he was doing there instead of occupying his official station. Adam replied that he was waiting for Eve to all the craft from refreshment to labor provision for. Turning to Eve he asked ier what she had to offer in excuse for er unofficial and unmasonic conduct. ier instructions, and she thought it no barm to learn them. The Grand Master then asked her what had become of

Finding that Eve was no longer cally, with a sweap of tue hand to and about every dam between his mil side Mason .- Jac'son Herald.